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Tait R. Swanson

Dear Sir,

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE), AMENDMENT, AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED ON AUGUST 18, 2006, AND ADVISORY ACTION MAILED ON NOVEMBER 3, 2006

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on August 18, 2006, and the Advisory Action mailed on November 3, 2006, the Applicants respectfully request continued examination and allowance of the present application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite fee of \$350.00 for new claims, \$790.00 for this RCE, and any additional fees which may be required, to Deposit Account No. 07-0868; Order No. 134734-1/SWA (GERD:0701).